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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: Combination Therapy for
Osteoporosis

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Preliminary Amendment

After the serial number has been assigned, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Immediately after the title and before the "Background of the Invention" section, add the following:

- Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This is a division of ~~depending~~ ^{which is a division of} U.S. Serial No. 09/117,972, filed August 11, 1998, entitled "Combination Therapy for Osteoporosis", which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/012,412 filed February 28, 1996. ^{under US Patent 6,323,232}

In the claims:

Cancel claims 5 and 15.

-Remarks -

Claims 5 and 15 are canceled herein as being the subject matter of claims already allowed in the parent application.

An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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